

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A talking telescope (10) capable of conveying information to a user both audibly and visually. The telescope (10) may also find and track a specified 5 celestial body (SCB). The telescope (10) broadly comprises an optical telescopic tube (12) for magnifying distant objects, a base (14) for supporting the telescope, a cradle (16) for securing the tube (12) to the base (14), a drive mechanism (18) for moving the tube (12) with respect to the base (14), and a controller (20) for allowing the user to interact with the telescope (10). The controller (20) includes a database 10 to store information relating to a plurality of celestial bodies and a processor (24) to access the information in the database relating to the SCB. The controller (20) also preferably includes a speaker (28) to audibly convey the information and a display (30) to visually convey the information.